

Audit Committee

5:00 PM SUB 6-06

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwacîswâskahikan (Beaver Hills House), on Treaty 6 territory. From time immemorial, the banks along the river valley have been known as the Pehonan, a meeting place for the nêhiyawak (Cree), the Niitsítapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųliné (Dene), Ojibway/Saulteaux/Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and others. The University, the Students' Union and much of the city are located on the unlawfully stolen land of the forcibly removed Papaschase Cree.

We acknowledge that sharing this land gives each of us the responsibility to research the historic contexts of Treaty 6, to reflect on our personal relationships to the land, the Nations we've named, and to our roles in upholding justice on this territory. Since they began, the Students' Union and the University have benefited from historic and ongoing dispossession of land and resources from Indigenous Peoples. As a result, it is our responsibility to seek the restitution of this land and its resources. Finally, we seek to do better by working to make our learning, research, and governance align with the histories, languages, teachings, and cultures of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples in the land presently occupied by the Canadian state.

We encourage critical reflection by asking the following question. In relation to the territory on which you are situated, what role do you play in strengthening the resistance and resurgence of Indigenous students within your communities?

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Simran Dhillon, Chair		Υ
Fateh Arslan		Υ
Rana Thind		Υ
Haruun Ali		N
Abdul Abbasi		Υ
Lionel Liu		Υ
Milan Regmi	Pien Steinbusch	Υ
Tanisha Sahu		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A
Petra Kloster		N/A
Ravine Basahti		N/A

MINUTES (AC-2022-10)

2022-10/1 <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

2022-10/1a Call to Order

DHILLON: CALLED the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

2022-10/1b Approval of Agenda

TABLED.

2022-10/1c Approval of Minutes

TABLED.

2022-10/1d Chair's Business

TABLED.

2022-10/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2022-10/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2022-10/3a KPMG Presentation

BASAHTI: Presents the UASU 2022 Audit Findings report. Goes over the areas of focus within the audit and KPMG's responses and findings.

States that there were no accounting policy changes that were applied in the financial statements from year to year.

KLOSTER: Also shares the areas of audit focus and results, as well as other observations identified in the current and prior years. States the upcoming changes to auditing standards for the SU's 2022 audit.

DHILLON/ARSLAN MOVE TO approve the KPMG Audit of the SU and send it to Council for final approval.

CARRIED

2022-10/3b Guest seat in the Committee for SGS

DHILLON: States that SGS presented to the Audit Committee about having a permanent (non-voting) member on Audit Committee.

Recaps that Audit Committee has a lot on their plate like FAMFs and their renewals, deadlines and transitions and the disbursement of funds once they are approved. Having an SGS on the Audit Committee would mean that Audit Committee would have a staff member to help manage these deadlines.

One examples would be the LSA. It wasn't noted from Audit Committee that their fee would be expiring this year, but it was flagged by SGS. There are a lot of items that the Audit Committee and SGS deal with that overlap. It would be nice to work on these items together, rather than working on them separately.

DHILLON/ARSLAN MOVE TO allow a member of SGS to have a permanent member seat at Audit committee to help facilitate processes.

CARRIED

2022-10/3c Follow ups and updates

LIU: Sent an email to NSA and ESS. NSA has referred this item to their VPF, but hasn't heard back from them since. Adds that ESS hasn't replied back yet.

THIND: States that only HCA had replied back and is still waiting to hear back from ECSA and NSSA.

ARSLAN: Informs that OASIS hasn't replied yet. Adds that LSA had forwarded the item to their VPF.

STEINBUSCH: ISU sent everything except the receipts from the May-November period. Heard back from IHCC and BSA, but they haven't sent anything back since their initial communication.

DHILLON: Plans to send follow up emails to all the VPFS and send specific emails to the associations the committee is waiting to hear back from.

ABBASI: Heard back from everyone. Adds that MSA and ESA are preparing the relevant documents.

DHILLON: States that she will follow up with Peter, the SU Financial Manager, and get a confirmation of what the status of the ASA cheque is.

DHILLON: States that the audit deadline is coming soon and December will be the submission timeline for the associationa so that the Committee can audit them in January.

For the FAMF Proposals, BSA, LSA & LHSA are coming for approval in the upcoming Council meeting. ESA,NUA, and HCA will be coming to present in the meeting after.

Adds that the next meeting for the Committee is on 15th December. But it is not scheduled yet in lieu of final exams, so the committee can turn it into an optional work period, and help session..

2022-10/4 ADJOURNMENT

DHILLON: ADJOURNED the meeting at 5:31 PM.